EXHIBIT A

Rodney M. LaFollette

Throughout his career, Dr. Rodney M. LaFollette has worked on high efficiency designs of secondary batteries and fuel cells, especially bipolar designs. Funded research activities over the past three years include lithium/lithium peroxide solid state batteries, bipolar silver/zinc batteries, and several types of bipolar lead acid batteries, including an effort funded by General Motors/Department of Energy to build a bipolar lead acid battery for use in hybrid vehicles. At the present time Dr. LaFollette is leading a SBIR Phase II program dedicated toward the development of microscopic batteries for use in MEMS and other integrated circuits. Dr. LaFollette also has extensive experience with mathematical modelling of batteries, including the development of a model of spirally-wound lead acid batteries used in the Hybrid Vehicle Program at General Motors.

Employment

1992 – Present	President/Founder, Bipolar Technologies Corp., Provo, UT
1990 – 1992	Vice President of Engineering, Enyon Corp., Provo, UT
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Academic Diploma, International School of Brussels, Brussels Belgium, 1975
B.S., M.S., Chemical Engineering, Brigham Young University, 1984
Ph.D., Chemical Engineering, Brigham Young University, 1988

Professional/Honor Societies

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Areas of Expertise

Mathematical Modeling,
Electrochemistry, Colloid Chemistry,
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